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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 W. Jefferson, 2nd Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Project 18-042

January 28, 2019

Dcar Ms. Avery,

I am writing in support of the Quincy Medical Group Surgery Center that will be located at the Quincy Mall.

My business, Que-Town Bar-B-Que, was opened through Cullinan Kickstart, a small business incentive program for start-up retail businesses at Quincy Mall. The program has enabled me to start a small business with reasonable costs, and the location in the Quincy Mall provides a built-in customer base.

I was so pleased when it was announced that Quincy Medical Group would occupy the former Bergner's store location. The surgery center will not only bring more customers to the mall, it will bring different customers who otherwise might not come to the mall to shop. As people wait for surgeries and procedures to be completed, they will have the opportunity to explore the mall and our restaurant, permitting the further growth of my business and others at Quincy Mall. In addition, my restaurant and others provide something for patients and visitors to enjoy during their visit.

On behalf of my business and countless others at the Quincy Mall, I encourage you to approve Quincy Medical Group's application for a surgery center at the mall.

Sincerely.

Dave French

Owner, Que-Town Bar-B-Que